

Alexandria-Gazette.

TUESDAY EVENING, NOV. 17, 1903.

LOCAL NEWS.

Sun rises tomorrow at 6:54 a. m. and sets at 4:49 p. m. High water at 6:54 a. m. and 7:04 p. m.

WEATHER PROBABILITIES.—For this section rain, changing to snow flurries with much colder tonight. Wednesday clearing with a cold wave; winds shifting to high north-westerly.

Anniversary of Memorable Fire.

Today is the forty-eighth anniversary of a fire which placed crape on a number of doors in Alexandria and cast a sable mantle over the community for some time. The fire occurred on November 17, 1855, in what was then known as James P. Smith's china store, though the business at that time was being conducted by Messrs. Turner and Dowell. The store stood on the north side of King street, between Fairfax and Lee—the premises now occupied by Mr. Henry Bander. It was about midnight when the fire was discovered by watchmen of the city and an alarm sounded. The firemen responded and worked faithfully for several hours and succeeded in getting the flames under control, and were passing in and out of the building which was steaming and smoking when, without the slightest premonition, the west wall tumbled down and buried under it eight men—Messrs. George Plain, Robert Taylor, J. Carson Greene, John Roach, David Appich, William Evans, James Keene and John Dugan, the last named a colored man. The first floor was carried away by the heavy weight, and bricks, mortar, splinters and the unfortunate human beings were hurled in a mass into the cellar, which having previously been half full of water sent up clouds of steam and smoke. Six of the ill-fated men were killed outright, and one died after having been taken from the debris. The only one out of the eight who escaped with his life was Dugan, the colored man, though he was a cripple from that time until his death a few years ago. The catastrophe occurred early on a Saturday morning, and on the following Sunday afternoon the bodies of five of the victims headed the largest funeral procession ever seen in Alexandria. The entire city turned out and joined in the procession. Bells were tolled, minute guns fired, and other evidences of sorrow shown. Subsequently a handsome monument was erected to their memory in Ivy Hill cemetery, upon which the names of the gallant men who died in the discharge of their duty were inscribed.

Bill for Mount Vernon Avenue.

The following is the full text of the bill introduced in the House by Representative Rixey for the benefit of the Mount Vernon Avenue Association.

Be it enacted by the Senate and the House of Representatives of the United States of America, in Congress assembled, That out of any money in the Treasury, not otherwise appropriated, the Secretary of the Treasury is hereby authorized and directed to pay to the Treasurer of the Mount Vernon Avenue Association, chartered by the laws of Virginia—said Mount Vernon Avenue Association being the assignee of the State of Virginia—the sum of one hundred and twenty thousand dollars (\$120,000) with interest at six per cent. per annum, from the dates of the respective advances made by the State of Virginia, until paid, being the sum loaned by the State of Virginia to the United States, through President George Washington, and used for the purpose of constructing public buildings at Washington, D. C., for the use of the Federal Government, which said appropriation shall be in full satisfaction, and payment of the amount heretofore claimed by the State of Virginia on said account.

Section 2. That the money hereby appropriated and directed to be paid to the said assignee of the State of Virginia, shall be expended in laying out, opening, constructing, and for the improvement of a public avenue and highway, from Washington, D. C., to the tomb of Washington at Mount Vernon, as described in the charter of the Mount Vernon Avenue Association.

Section 3. That said association may construct its avenue through the Arlington estate by such routes and under such supervision as shall be approved of by the Secretary of War.

Section 4. That the cost of constructing said avenue through the Arlington estate to an amount not exceeding fifty thousand dollars (\$50,000), shall be paid out of the treasury out of any money not appropriated, in addition to the sum heretofore appropriated, upon the certificate of the Secretary of War.

Section 5. This act shall be enforced from its passage.

The Weather.

The weather during the past few days has been mild and sultry. There were slight sprinklings of rain last night and several showers have fallen today. A cold wave, however, is said to be in transit, and this city will soon be within its embrace. The temperature, it is thought, will drop to the freezing point. The weather bureau reports an unusually high pressure in the far northwest, with temperature below zero, and the weather map indicates that part of this cold wave has this section for its objective point. The wind-storm which started from Kansas last Sunday was moving eastward yesterday, with its center between Buffalo, Cleveland and Pittsburgh, and it was expected that its southern extremity would reach Virginia early this morning.

Thought It was a Burglar.

Early last night the family of Mr. James Beach, living on the east side of Fairfax street, between Wilkes and Gibbon, supposed from noises they heard that a burglar was on the roof of their house. They raised an alarm and invoked the assistance of Officer Knight. The latter hastened to the scene, and by the time he reached the house Mr. Beach's son had procured a pistol and was on a reconnaissance. The latter imagined he saw a head on the roof and discharged five shots at it. Upon further examination, however, it was discovered that a shingle and a piece of tin had worked loose and that the southerly wind caused both to flap against the roof and make a noise much resembling the sound of footsteps.

War Claims.

Representative Rixey has introduced a bill which provides for the payment by the government of damages for injuries done to property by soldiers from Camp Alger during the Spanish War when a regiment went on a march to Manassas

and through Thoroughfare Gap. The payment of the damages was recommended by a board of officers who investigated the claims. The bill contains the names of eighty-four property-holders of Prince William and Fairfax counties, who claim that they were damaged by the acts of the soldiers. The amounts asked vary from six dollars to four hundred and twenty-seven dollars. A bill of this character was introduced by Mr. Rixey at last session, but it failed of passage.

Confederate Bazar.

The arrangements for the grand bazar to be held in Armory Hall, beginning tomorrow night, Wednesday, November 18, for the benefit of the building fund of Lee Camp, Confederate Veterans, are being rapidly pushed to completion. The hall has been divided into twelve sections, each representing a month of the year; these will be decorated with emblems suitable to the season, and many and various articles offered for sale in each. All merchants having articles donated to them for this fair, will kindly send same, accompanied by their own promised contributions to Armory Hall on Wednesday morning. A committee of ladies will be in the hall as early as nine o'clock. All persons who have promised or are willing to donate are urged to send in articles early, as these ladies will have a busy day before them. The collectors have had innumerable "somethings" promised and anxiously await the arrival of all such. The Confederate Veterans' Bazar Association have extended a most cordial invitation to Mary Custis Lee Chapter, U. C. C., to attend the grand bazar at Armory Hall, Wednesday night, November 18. Members are expected to be present without further notice.

Memorial Bridge Bill.

The construction of the proposed memorial bridge across the Potomac was brought before the Senate again yesterday by the introduction of a bill authorizing the Secretary of War to consider the beginning of the work. It was introduced by Senator Martin, and was referred to the Committee on District of Columbia. It is the same bill as introduced by the same Senator in the last Congress, to cost not more than \$5,000,000. The Secretary of War is authorized to make such expenditure as may be necessary to secure and determine upon a proper plan, "opening the competition to all who may desire to submit plans." Half a million dollars is intended to be appropriated for this preliminary work.

"Marta of the Lowlands."

"Marta of the Lowlands," a play by the Spanish dramatist Guimera, staged under the personal direction of Mrs. Eiske, was presented at the Lafayette Opera House in Washington last night to a large and representative Washington audience, which included the Spanish Minister and numerous members of the diplomatic corps and of both branches of Congress and a large number of newspaper correspondents. The play made a strong impression, and repeatedly the effective dramatic scenes were applauded to the echo. It was carefully and pictorially staged, and presented by a company whose acting in many particulars is among the best seen in Washington in several seasons.

Entertainment at Reading Room.

The entertainment last night at the Railroad Reading Room was well attended and greatly enjoyed. All who participated acquitted themselves creditably. The following programme was rendered: Orchestra, Prof. Pitt; solo, Mr. Wheatley; piano solo, Miss Gossling; cornet solo, Miss Sabina Pitt; solo, "Come Sing That Sweet Air Again," Mr. Hill; recitation, "Casey at the Bat," Capt. Davis; orchestra, "The Dixie Girl," Prof. Pitt; bass solo, William Walker; recitation, "Dressing in the Dark," Mr. Netherland; piano solo, Miss Bozorth; bass solo, Mr. Walker; tenor solo, Mr. Netherland; orchestra, Prof. Pitt; recitations, "Mule," and "Huckleberry Pie," Mr. Walker.

Charge of Bigamy.

A young man who gave his name as Edward E. Stough went to the station house in this city this morning and asked for a warrant for the arrest of a man and woman on the charge of bigamy. He said the woman in the case was his wife and that he married her in Chambersburg, Pa. He alleges that she came here last March and married another man. The Mayor refused to issue the warrant until more positive proof of the young man's charge could be obtained. He was accompanied by an elderly woman who seemed anxious to press the matter.

Police Court.

[Mayor G. L. Simpson presiding.] The following cases were disposed of this morning:

A man, arrested by Officer Lyles for drunken and disorderly conduct on an electric train, was fined \$5.

John Dugan, colored, arrested by Officer Arrington for assaulting Lewis Carrington, colored, was fined \$5.

Mary Williams, colored, arrested by Officer Arrington for drunken and disorderly conduct, was fined \$5.

Opera House To-Night.

"A Rocky Mountain Walt" will be produced by the Erwood Comedy Company at the Opera House tonight. This is an American play, somewhat romantic, with an undercurrent of comedy. The plot is strong, rational and attractive; the dialogue is interesting, intelligent, clean and pointed and the mechanical effects have that touch and finish necessary to make any show a success. In the principal comedy role Mr. Erwood will be seen at his best.

Death of Captain Kenyon.

Capt. George L. Kenyon, one of the best known farmers in northern Virginia, died at his residence at Vienna, Fairfax county, Sunday, aged seventy-one years. Captain Kenyon was a veteran of the civil war, and was prominently identified with the farmers' associations in northern Virginia. He was also a director in the Independent Mutual Fire Insurance Company of this city.

Suit Against Electric Railway.

Proceedings at law to recover damages in the sum of \$10,000 were instituted in Washington yesterday by Nellie V. Thompson, executrix of the estate of John W. Thompson, deceased, against the Mt. Vernon Railway Co. It is alleged that on March 15, 1902, Thompson was thrown from a car at 13th and B street, Washington, and fatally injured.

A meeting of the Merchants' Club was held last night at which an organization was effected.

Personal.

Miss Pauline Mosby, daughter of Colonel Mosby, the famous Confederate warrior, is the guest of Miss Mattie Fendall, of Towson, Md.

Mr. Morgan H. Beach, United States Attorney for the District of Columbia, actively resumed the duties of his office yesterday after an absence of two weeks spent in Virginia. Mr. Beach went away by order of his physician for a much needed rest. He is greatly improved in health.

Miss Eva Hudson, accompanied by her friend Miss Mabel McGill, of Washington, has gone to New York for a two week's visit to friends.

Mr. Edgar Warfield, who has been quite sick for the past few days, is able to be out again.

Coffee Demonstration.

Messrs. Chafe & Sanborn, the well-known coffee merchants of Boston, will, beginning this evening and continuing for two weeks, give a free demonstration of the quality of their coffees at the store on King street of the M. Schuler Beef Company, their Alexandria agents. The public is invited and coffee and souvenirs will be distributed daily.

Sharps and Flats.

Sharps and Flats met last night and rehearsed the opera *Fra Diavolo*, which will be presented at the Opera House during the winter at a date to be hereafter fixed. Several new members were elected.

LOCAL BREVITIES.

The Sons of Confederate Veterans will meet tonight at Lee Camp Hall.

The poles for the railway gates to be erected at Cameron and Fayette streets have been placed in position.

Mrs. Emma Riley, mother of Mrs. R. T. Strickland, died at her home near Arcurus, Fairfax county last night.

The three-masted schooner *Lulu M. Quillen*, from Severn river with sand for the Lee Bottle Company, has arrived.

The committee on poor last night awarded the contract for placing a new roof on the almshouse to Mr. J. F. Rodgers.

The funeral of the late Mrs. Elizabeth Wilkinson took place this afternoon from the residence of her son, Mr. W. J. Wilkinson.

The Woodlawn Friends' quarterly meeting which began on Sunday adjourned yesterday after a well-attended and successful meeting.

The meeting of the stockholders of the Old Dominion Perpetual Building Association advertised for last night was postponed for want of a quorum.

A meeting of the Lady Maccabees will be held tonight. Considerable business of interest will be transacted and three candidates will be initiated.

The Corporation Commission yesterday granted a charter to the Reliance Fire Insurance Corporation of Alexandria, W. C. Whitehead, president, with a capital stock of from \$25,000 to \$200,000.

The remains of James Clarkson, who died at his home in this city early yesterday morning, were shipped to Washington today by Mr. B. Wheatley. The interment will take place in that city tomorrow.

Messrs. Steel and Russell were engaged in painting the front of the Opera House this morning narrowly escaped serious injury by the breaking of the rope which was supporting the scaffold. The latter was suddenly tilted and the two men were precipitated into a window.

A team belonging to Mr. Charles G. Davis, of New Brighton, Pa., and driven by his brother-in-law, Mr. William Snyder, was struck by an Erie express train at a crossing in that town one day last week and the driver and horses ground to pieces. Mr. Davis is a brother of Capt. J. V. Davis, of this city, and has a number of acquaintances here.

Stepped Against a Hot Stove.

A child of Mrs. Geo. T. Benson, when getting his usual Saturday night bath, stepped back against a hot stove which burned him severely. The child was in great agony and his mother could do nothing to pacify him. Remembering that she had a bottle of Chamberlain's Pain Balm in the house, she thought she would try it. In less than half an hour after applying it the child was quiet and asleep, and in less than two weeks was well. Mrs. Benson is a well known resident of Kellar, Va. Pain Balm is an antiseptic liniment and especially valuable for burns, cuts, bruises and sprains. For sale by Richard Gibson.

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Misses' Castor Coat Coats, with three capes, \$7.50 value at \$4.98.

Misses' Navy and Castor Coats, military cape, satin edging, brass buttons; \$7.50 value at \$4.98.

Misses' Castor Coats, box back, ripple cape with stole, satin and braid trimming; worth \$8, at \$5.98.

Children's Long Castor Cloth Coats, with cape and stole effects; \$10 value at \$5.98.

Children's Long Black and Navy Velvet Velour Coats, satin lined, double cape with applique medallions; \$15 value at \$9.98.

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Ladies' Sample Coats, castor cloth, box back, military cape and stole; \$8 value at \$5.98.

Ladies' Tan Box Back Coats, fancy velvet and button trimming; \$6.98 value at \$4.98.

Ladies' Tan Venetian Cloth Coats, three quarter lengths, blouse sleeve and cuffs; \$10 value, at \$6.98.

Ladies' Tan and Castor Blouse Skirt Coats, with belt and inlaid collar, heavy satin lining, at \$15.98.

Ladies' Cravenette Cloth Corset Coats at \$15.98.

Ladies' Black and Tan Corset Coats; \$8.00 value, at \$5.98.

Ladies' Tucked 9-gore Oxford Gray Walking Skirts; \$2.50 value, at \$1.49.

Ladies' Corded 7-gore brown and navy Walking Skirts, button trimming; \$4 value at \$2.88.

Ladies' fine all-wool Black Cheviot Skirts, 19-gore; \$6.98 value at \$4.98.

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